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TOWN COUNCIL

A report of the meeting with the fire brigade was presented at the regular meeting of the Town Council a week ago. Further discussion on the siren ensued, and it was agreed that the manufacturer be written as to the possibility of securing parts, and that an estimate be obtained on the building of the necessary parts.

A report was received that all but one of the titles turned over to J. J. Pettie to clear up almost two years ago, had finally been delivered.

It was agreed to provide the land adjacent to the swimming pool, and towards town for the erection of an army hut, if the army decides to proceed with the erection. The area designated consists of 220 feet by 188.7 feet, leaving provision for a laneway at the rear of the property.

It was suggested that time-lot be obtained for the town police station which should be punched at irregular intervals at various stations about the town, but discussion following showed that the idea was not as practicable as was at first thought.

The parking by-laws came up for discussion, and have been turned over to a committee for drafting in legal form. It is likely that the new by-law will prohibit the parking of vehicles over 135" wheelbase, or 205" front to rear on Main Street except for loading and unloading. It will also provide for (Continued on Page Six)

United Church Christmas Tree

Members of the Strathmore United Church Sunday School gathered in the Memorial Room on Friday for a Christmas Tree and Concert. Various members of the Sunday School took part in the program, contributing numerous recitations, and songs, a piano duet by Miss Enid Baldwin and Miss Evelyn Korek, skits by Dr. Giffen's and Mr. R. J. Milligan's classes, and a tableau very nicely enacted by Mrs. Abell's class assisted by Mrs. Mott's group.

Following the concert, Santa made his grand entrance, distributed largesse to one and all, and bespeaking for all a Merry Christmas.

Young People Entertain Eventide Home

The Senior Young People's group of Strathmore, under Mr. Roley Hanson, president, paid a visit to the Eventide Home at Gleichen, on Thursday, December 18. After singing Christmas carols to several of the patients in the hospital, the group gathered in the auditorium, where they were introduced by the superintendent, Major Parkinson, to a large gathering of guests assembled.

Here an interesting vocal and instrumental program was delivered

Eric Taylor Passes

Eric John Taylor of Strathmore passed away at his home on Monday following a short illness. Mr. Taylor, who was born in Strathmore, and had lived all his life here, was 25 years of age.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday afternoon from Strathmore United Church, with Rev. A. A. Hamilton in charge. Burial was in Strathmore Cemetery.

The late Mr. Taylor is survived by his mother, Mrs. John Taylor, Strathmore, three brothers, Harold, Langdon, Thomas, Strathmore; and Andrew, Calgary; and two sisters, Nettie, Strathmore; and Mrs. Don Dougan, of Nightingale.

Break-In at Thurston's

A break-in was noted at Thurston's Drug Store last Sunday night, by E. F. Thurston, proprietor. Mr. Thurston had just returned from church with Mrs. Thurston, and discovered that someone had made entrance through a rear window.

So far as is known, only a small sum of money was removed from the till, and it is suspected that the thief was scared away, since a quantity of silver was left in the till drawer. An investigation is being conducted.

Town Festive For Christmas

Strathmore has once more gone ablaze with lights, and decorations for the Christmas season. The coloured lights are strung on Main Street, and the main intersection, at the head of the street, is gaily decorated with a Christmas tree, festooned with lights. We hope no one will hit the tree, it is set in an old time tractor wheel.

Cpl. Mott's place of business is again brightly lit at nights, and presents a very attractive and ingenious display. His models are quite clever, and have been appreciated by many passers-by.

Stores have also decorated their windows, where they could get away from seasonable merchandise with lights, decorations wreaths and so forth. And nearly every home seems to have its tree in its window, or its wreath, or candle, or strings of coloured lights and give evidence of wonder-lands within.

By the group to an appreciative audience, with special numbers by Mrs. A. A. Hamilton, Mrs. A. Foley and Miss Jean Garrett and Mr. Dave Drummond.

On behalf of the men of the Eventide Home, Major Brunsden expressed the appreciation of those present for the splendid evening's entertainment, following which the group were guests of Major and Mrs. Parkinson and Major and Mrs. Brunsden for a social visit over the tea-cups.

A Glow at Christmas!

There are several ways of getting a warm glow at Christmas time. Perhaps you will share our way, by reading once again the classic half-century-old reply of the New York Sun to the little girl who wanted to know if there really was a Santa Claus.

"Dear Editor: I am nine years old. Some of my friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says if you see it in the Sun, it's so. Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?"

—Virginia O'Hanlon.

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the scepticism of a sceptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which child-

hood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are out there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You might tear apart baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives and he lives forever. A thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

—Christmas Message in The Printed Word.

MAIL LOAD SLACKENS OFF

The peak load has been passed at the Post Office, according to Mrs. J. Martin, Postmistress, who said on Tuesday that the slackening off was quite noticeable. There is still a tremendous amount of mail to take care of, however, she pointed out, a considerable amount of which has been delayed in coming from the east.

Extra staff and overtime has been required to meet the terrific strain placed on the Post Office.

TEACHERS' STAFF PARTY

A happy break in the week's routine was arranged by the staff of the Strathmore School Wednesday evening, when they gathered for a delicious Turkey dinner at the King Edward Grill. Christmas Place Cards and other Christmas tokens made a very attractive table.

Most of the teachers and a few guests thoroughly enjoyed the dinner and the merry atmosphere that prevailed.

Words of appreciation were expressed by the guests, Mr. Crowther concluding the evening by a few general and humorous remarks.

which for some days past has been one of the busiest spots in town.

New Sign at Baldwin's

Following severe tribulations, Keith Baldwin is now sporting a new neon sign at Baldwin Motors. The new one, featuring the Monarch as well as the Ford theme, was all set and the process of erection about a month ago, when a corner of the masonry supporting the guy wires broke away, and several large chunks of brick work hit the sign, breaking every neon tube, and denting the frame.

The molds for the glass tubing had to be sent from the East, causing much delay and extra expense. The older sign is now erected on the rear of the garage.

Dance to "Ma" Trainor at Cluny on New Year's Eve

EDITORIAL COMMENT

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INTRODUCING THE NEW YEAR

The Year was Old, that day. The patient Year had lived through the reproaches and misuses of its slanders, and faithfully performed its work. Spring, summer, autumn, winter. It had labored through the destined round, and now laid down its weary head to die.

Shut out from hope, high impulse, active happiness itself, but active messenger of many joys to others, it made appeal in its decline to have its toiling days and patient hours remembered, and to die in peace.

The streets were full of motion and the shops were decked out gaily. The New Year, like an Infant Heir to the whole world, was waited for, with welcomes, presents, and rejoicings. There were books and toys for the New Year, glittering trinkets for the New Year, dresses for the New Year, schemes of fortune for the New Year; new inventions to beguile it.

Its life was treasured out in almanacs and pocket-books; the coming of its seasons, and stars, and tides was known beforehand to the moment; all the workings of its seasons in their days and nights were calculated with much precision.

The New Year, the New Year, where the New Year? The Old Year was already looked upon as dead; and its effects were selling cheap. Like some drowned mariner's alms-shrine. Its patterns were Last Year's and going at a sacrifice, before its breath was gone. Its treasures were mere dirt, beside the riches of its unborn successor!

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IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LONG, LONG TIME

During October, we were interested to read the other day, Canada admitted displaced persons from Europe at the rate of 100 every day. Figuring quickly and roughly, this means that at community the size of Strathmore is entering Canada at the rate of one community every week. And this seems very encouraging.

It's encouraging when you think that there are only 750,000 more displaced persons in Germany... and we're accustomed these days to feel that anything not in terms of millions is small.

It's encouraging until you do a little more rough figuring, and realize that at this rate it will be twenty whole years... 1967... until the refugee problem for Germany alone is solved.

Think of dropping a Strathmore-size

ed community somewhere in Canada every week for the next twenty years.

Of course, the job is not entirely Canada's. There are other countries in the world to accept some of them. But there are few who can accept them as easily, absorb them as readily, as can Canada. And many of them can't wait until 1967 to find a new home. They will decide to look elsewhere, which, of course, is all to the good. Established, in whatever country, they will still be settled.

But Canada can use many of these people, and many of these people would be glad to come to Canada, and would have something to contribute. It will take quite a few years to see the change in twelve millions of people which 25,500 will make.

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"THE COW JUMPED OVER THE MOON"

Well, maybe she hasn't yet, but the recent announcement concerning the increase in milk prices may cause some heads of families and home-makers to wonder a bit. For it's a pretty heavy blow to fall at this time.

There does seem to be sufficient And it has been pointed out by many people connected with the dairy industry reason for the increase being granted. To begin with, the board of public utility commissioners checked the matter pretty thoroughly, and felt that anything less than three cents would not allow the producer a fair return, try that a higher price has been needed to offset increased costs.

But doesn't make it any easier for the man with a family which needs milk. He was only just getting used to the first increase in the consumer price of milk when the subsidy was removed, then it was announced that the price of bread was going to increase. And he couldn't quite recover from that, meat jumped following the packer's strike.

And now he's being hit again with an increase to one more of his important needs. It would be easier to take if it only hit the luxury items, but nearly all of his staples have increased tremendously, in the past short while, and the effect is disastrous.

Wage increases gained by particular groups through strike action or any other action become cancelled out in this tidal wave of increasing prices, and the cumulative effect is, or will be, to make us poverty stricken while enjoying the highest wage scale and the greatest production phase this country has ever experienced.

We're not trying to infer that the milk producer isn't entitled to this increase... we don't know enough about the inner picture, we're afraid, to hold a valid opinion, and we'll accept the findings of the utility commissioners. But we are sure, nevertheless, that some board, or some commission, is going to have to check into the rights of the family-man very shortly, and try to find some way of insuring that he doesn't become the highest paid peasant in history.

In Others' Words MERRY CHRISTMAS

It requires no grandiloquent language to express the spirit of Yuletide. The season is one of simple happiness. For centuries one generation after another has rejoiced when December brought along Christmas. It is the one time of the year when the sorrows of the conflict of every-day life is subdued and a better culture triumphs. Joyousness, usefulness and hope are the keywords of the Christmastide. It would be a sorry world if there were no Christmas.

The story of Christmas is one that every child in all Christian families learns at a mother's knee; how the shepherds watched their flocks on the Judean hills on that eventful night more than nineteen centuries ago; and how the angels appeared and sang the memorable message which has come vibrantly down the ages, "Glory to God in the Highest, Peace, Good-will to men."

And how the Wise Men from the East followed the Star until it led them to the stable of an inn at Bethlehem where a newborn Child lay wrapped in swaddling cloths. It is a simple story, but what joy and hope it has brought to all the succeeding generations. For that Child was the Savior of mankind. Christianity will not perish despite the threats and maledictions and evil deeds of tyrants. Christmas will never disappear, nor the Bible be supplanted by the mouthings of evil men. Every thinking person realizes what the multitudes are prone to forget, that the teachings of the Bible are the backbone of the civic and social fabric that it would be impossible to estimate what life would be were those teachings suppressed. It would mean the

Christmas Bells

I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carol play,

And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men.
And disappear I bowed my head;
"For hate is strong,
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men"
Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The Wrong shall fall,
The Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men"

— Longfellow,

loss of the standards by which both private and public morals are judged, and through which people try to better themselves and their environment.

It is probably with some grimness that Christmas is clung to even more closely than ever in these epochal and cruel times. For Christmas is an essential part of our way of living. Unfortunately, its spirit is confined to too brief a portion of the year, but that is better than the complete loss of the joys of the season. And so we wish a Merry Christmas to all. May the homes be lighted with Christmas joys... the returning boy or girl, the cheery greetings of neighbors, the joyous laughter of children.

— Wheat Pool Budget.

DECEMBER

"The silence of December is upon us. There is no fly-buzz nor bee-hum even on the midday air, no insect whirr nor rasp when evening comes. The wind may rattle the oak's dry leaves, but the alibant whisper through full-folaged trees is a mid-summer memory. The dawn clamor of the crows no longer echoes, nor does the sweet matin song of the robin..."

"The owl hoots among the hemlocks on a lonely hillside, and country dwellers may listen late to the fine-spun yapping of a fox. But their voices only punctuate the silence, which lies deep in the valleys where frogs, not so long ago,

thumped the darkness. Even the streams are muted, their current slowed by frost in the ground at their beginning and ice fringing their quiet pools.

"The woodchuck sleeps. Chipmunks doze in their fluff-lined beds. Gray squirrels go chatterless about their treetop rounds. The silent rabbit even avoids the rustling leaf..."

"And, where the cold strikes early and bites deep, the crack of expanding ice and the groan of rocks slowly riven by the silent frost. The waning year does not crack on its hinges."

From — The New York Times.

TENTH PROVINCE?

The Dominion's offer to Newfoundland to join the confederation of Canada has not been given the publicity it warrants. The event is a milestone in the young history of Newfoundland, and the offer is not in a plebiscite sometime next spring.

The population of Newfoundland is about 300,000, and the entire province would not give them a strong representation in the Parliament at Ottawa—probably around 10 seats in the present 255-seat house.

Three months' discussion this fall between delegates from Newfoundland and Canadian officials under the chairmanship of acting Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent dealt with taxation, mail, and legal questions. Financial adjustments proved to be most important, and terms offered by Canada at the end of the conference included Dominion grants traditionally made to provinces, as well as special grants for a transition period, estimated at about 10 years.

Naturally, the union of the two countries could not be expected if we didn't anticipate mutual benefits. Newfoundland, which has been in serious monetary troubles for over a decade, could look forward

to solvency. Canada would receive economic advantages with the abolition of tariffs between the two countries, and better prospects in the Atlantic fisheries industry.

The Canadian people need more news about the recent conference, about the offers that were made and about Newfoundland itself. Even if the proposition comes to nothing, it merits careful study and more knowledge about that amorphous island lying "somewhere off the east coast of Canada."

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Miss Grace Tench arrived home Saturday, Chester on Monday, and Graham on Tuesday to spend Christmas with their parents.

Mrs. Maude Hand and Mrs. Mildred Sowden arrived home over the weekend with their children, for Christmas with their mother, Mrs. M. Marcum, while Mr. Hand and Mr. Sowden arrived early this week.

Jerome Hanson returned from University over the weekend, to spend Christmas at home.

Hirtle's Theatre

WED. DEC. 31 FRI. & SAT. DEC. 26 & 27 FRI. & SAT. JAN. 2 & 3

THAT HAGEN GIRL WHERE THERE'S LIFE DARK PASSAGE
Shirley Temple Bob Hope Humphrey Bogart & Lauren Bacall

ROYAL WEDDING PICTURES

These are the first-hand pictures of this history making event. Don't fail to see them at HIRTLE'S THEATRE, over the week end. PLAYING AT THIS THEATRE DEC. 26 & 27

OFFICIAL PICTURES OF LOUIS-WALCOTT FIGHT WILL BE SHOWN IN THIS THEATRE ON JANUARY 16 & 17.



Man of the Month

S. CLAUS

He Gets Around

From The Provincial Paper Houseorgan—

● This elderly gentleman with advanced five o'clock shadow is one of the world's most prominent personalities. The greatest part of the year he lives around the North Pole, so he wears red plush pants. He smiles most of the time, which is more than can be said for the rest of us. But then, perhaps he is untroubled by shortages and labour troubles.

His production room is a deep-freeze unit known as an igloo (pronounced igloo). Not too much is known about his home life. If there is a Mrs. Claus she must be very understanding. It wouldn't be easy to be married to an old gentleman who is never around on Christmas Eve and then returns home Christmas morning all over soot.

He travels through the sky in a fancy sleigh drawn by reindeer with names like Dasher, Blitzen, Prancer and Joe. He always makes perfect three-point landings on rooftops. His nose is a deep red and this is explained by the fact that he is cold most of the time.

Sometimes he gets on the radio a few weeks before Christmas and he talks in a deep, rumbling voice like H. V. Kaltenborn with a cold. He never does anything more than talk on the radio, so probably Ferrillo will leave him alone.

He is very useful around advertising agencies in December, and he recommends gifts ranging from carpet slippers to bulldozers. He has a long white beard that flows in the wind when he travels through the sky, but this year he might wear a snood to help get that New Look.

He has a crew of gnomes working for him at union wages. In case you don't know what a gnome looks like, they are said to resemble a dehydrated Man of Distinction. These gnomes are cheery little

folk despite the fact that they live at the North Pole and never get around much.

He finds that radiant heating makes things a little more difficult to get around and he says there is no flu like an old flu.

Outside of these few lines we're afraid we don't know much more about him... but here's hoping he comes your way Christmas Eve bringing you a load of Christmas cheer.

STORES SHUT FRID'Y

Strathmore's stores will be open all day on Wednesday, Dec. 31, merchants told *The Standard* on Tuesday, but will remain closed over Thursday and Friday. New Year's Day and the day following.

Drug stores will at least maintain Sunday hours, on the Friday, while restaurants will be open as usual. On New Year's Day, it was learned, one restaurant will be closed, but the others will be open for meal hours.

The next issue of *The Standard* will also come out on the Wednesday, Dec. 31. Advertisers and correspondents are asked to please help out on the earlier date.

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for Service

Last Minute

Suggestions

For week of

Dec. 27th to

Jan. 2nd

MEAT COUNTER

Pork and Ham Roll
per lb. 50c
Spiced Ham per lb. 50c
Meatloaf and Chesse loaf
per lb. 45c

GROCERIA

Mince meat per lb. 28c
Mixed Candy per lb. 59c
Xmas Pack Oranges
per box \$1.20

R. & R. SATURDAY SPECIAL

MIXED NUTS, Per lb. 40c

NOTICE—Our Store will be closed Dec. 25th and 26th, but will be open as usual on Dec. 27th

RONNY and RAY'S MARKET

Strathmore

Alberta

NAMAKA NOTES

— By Mrs. E. B. —

John Watts of Calgary spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. M. A. Watts.

Mr. Harry Shoultz of Calgary visited at the Wm. Fawkes home on day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Mackie and family spent Sunday visiting at Arrowood.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Aitkens were Sunday visitors at the Cote home in Carleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bell of Balntree visited Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Aitkens on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Nelson and Miss Phyllis Fowler of Melville were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kernack.

The Namaka Sunday School Christmas Concert was held in the Community Hall on Tuesday, Dec. 23. A grand time is reported by all who were able to attend.

The annual meeting of the W. A. was held at Mrs. McBean's. The new slate of officers is as follows: President Mrs. Hansen; Vice-president Mrs. Hamilton; Secretary Mrs. Irene Staden; Treasurer Mrs. Loy Wheeler and Mrs. Klitzgaard and Mrs. Watts, the sick committee. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Hamilton's the second Thursday in January.

On Friday evening 17 local ladies met at Mrs. E. Baker's home where they organized a new club. The officers elected were as follows: President Mrs. E. Baker; Vice-president Mrs. Alex Peterson; Secretary Treasurer Mrs. A. H. Thomson.

After several plans were made for the next few months, lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. L. Aitkens, Mrs. H. Stettner and Mrs. F. Aitkens. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Gordon Hall's home on January 22. The roll call will be answered by a new name for the club. New members are welcome to join.

UNEMPLOYMENT

INSURANCE

COVERAGE

EXTENDED

(Authority, P.C. 4851, dated December 3rd, 1947)

ON AND AFTER January 1st, 1948, every employee in insurable employment paid by the month whose annual remuneration does not exceed \$3,120.00 will be insured under the Unemployment Insurance Act.

AT PRESENT those paid by the month whose annual remuneration is \$2,400.00 or less are insured under the Act.

THE CHANGE will not affect the coverage of all hourly, daily and piece rated employees and those paid on a mileage basis, who will continue to be insured regardless of earnings.

WEEKLY RATED employees whose earnings are expected to be \$3,120.00 or less per year will continue to be insured under the Act.

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sincere wishes for prosperity and

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A Happy New Year

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LANGDON NOTES

By G.E.W.

Mr. Geo. Whitney was the lucky winner of the Institute Quilt, raffled at the Annual Dinner.

Winners of last week's 500 card game were: Ladies High Mrs. W. D. Braden; Ladies Consolation Mrs. G. Newton; Gents High Mr. C. Dumbleton; Gents Consolation Mr. G. Whitney.

The annual meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the hall Wednesday afternoon, with 25 members present.

A busy afternoon was spent. Exchange of gifts was full. Election of officers for the coming year resulted in: President Mrs. A. M. Watson, 1st Vice Mrs. G. Crilly, 2nd Vice Mrs. T. Albertson, Secretary Mrs. E. T. Moe, Treasurer Mrs. H. Mikkelsen; Directors Mrs. F. Dain, Mrs. G. Newton, Mrs. D. Kernaughan, and Mrs. F. Thomas.

Owing to so many colds in the district, the Pic Social held in the hall on Saturday evening was not well attended.

Mr. Dick Bittle was in charge of the entertainment, while Mr. F. Thomas made a very suitable au-

tioner, \$30.20 was made during the evening, this to go towards the Christmas Concert.

Mrs. Pete Matul is in hospital in Calgary. Hope her stay will not be long and that she will be home again soon.

Langdon Pioneer Passes Away

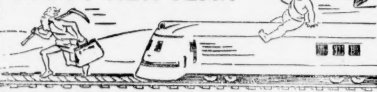
Another old timer of the Langdon district, Mr. Robert Crilly, passed away at his home on Thursday. Mr. Crilly was born in Belfast, Ireland, and moved to Langdon in 1902. Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon in Gooder Brothers' Chapel, Rev. S. Hunt officiated and burial took place in the Union Cemetery, Calgary. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, one daughter, Mrs. (Addie) J. Bates, one son Gordon, six grandchildren, all of Langdon. The community extend their deepest sympathy in the passing of a loved one.

GREYHOUND SCHEDULE—
Going East 8:02 a.m. — 5:32 p.m.
Going West — 12:22 p.m. — 10:47 p.m.

A Merry Christmas

and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR



YOUR MASSEY HARRIS DEALER

Bill Rhodes

STRATHMORE

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A Merry Christmas to Everyone

Strathmore Hardware

"The Store of Quality and Service"

M. A. BELLINGER

PHONE 54

HAUL WATER IN BARRELS FROM WELL

Hussar Opens Skating Rink

By Mrs. M. C. B.

For the first time in ten years, a regulation sized hockey skating rink was officially opened, with Mr. Chilton President and Mr. Light Secretary.

The skating rink is fenced in with chain-link, the water is to be hauled from the town well in tanks; and the work entailed was great. Thanks must be extended to the business men of the town who gave so freely of their support and work. There is a small skating rink in the school yard, still, for the use of the smaller children. Hussar seems to be getting back into the swing again after the years of denial during the war.

The Village Council have decided to go ahead and finish the Community Hall inside, and loads of lumber have been hauled down to the hall and a carpenter engaged. It is hoped that the business men of the Village will also assist in this project, as the work needs voluntary workers; and in the past the citizens of Hussar have been very busy assisting in any worthwhile project like this one.

The School is having a Christmas program and tree in the community hall, Monday, December 22. Everyone is invited.

The Sunday School students will help with the Christmas services at 3:00 p.m. at the school house, on December 23rd, under the direction of Rev. J. Pedersen; Rev. D. E. Flint will conduct the services on the 28th.

At the annual meeting of the Hussar Ladies Aid, held at the home of Mrs. V. F. LeGrand, Mrs. T. Burdett was elected President, with two vice-presidents, Mesdames Gabert and Broom. Mrs. C. P. English was re-elected Secretary and Mrs. H. Buckschmidt, Treasurer. Mrs. E. J. Bell, who had been president for the past five years, asked to be allowed to resign the position, at the meeting in November, thus giving the members a chance to prepare for the change. A fine program was given, readings by Mrs. W. Jackson, Mrs. E. Sealey and Mrs. T. Burdett. The contest was won by Mrs. H. Saunders. The report on the financial part of the

STANDARD NEWS

By Mrs. R. G.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kimmitt announce the birth of a daughter at the Holy Cross Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Nelson are rejoicing in the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Velsen are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dick at Edmonton.

The Senior Hockey Club held a whist drive last Wednesday night, which was very successful. The proceeds go to help pay for the flood lights for the skating rink.

Last Friday afternoon the United Ladies' Aid held their meeting at the home of Mrs. G. Lee. The devotional part of the meeting was taken by the Rev. Cowan of Rockyford. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Macadam in February.

The Home & School met Friday December 12, at 8:00 at the school with a very good crowd. The grades five and six put on a play which was very interesting. The last part of the meeting was a discussion of Progressive Education.

After the meeting was adjourned, coffee was served and a social enjoyed.

SORE FEET

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Bazaar and dance on November 7 and the subsequent sales of the articles, was compiled as the last of the articles were sold that day, and the results were a net total of \$20.01; and the ladies felt well repaid for their work, and extended thanks to all who had helped them in any way. Of the children who helped; Joanne Blake, Kay Larsen and Wilma Saunders, Joanne Blake won the prize.

It was decided that it would now be possible to go ahead on the project for which the bazaar was started, namely to finish the Aid kitchen inside and an order was given for the needed lumber, and a carpenter engaged; also much improvement will be made by finishing the kitchen furniture. It was

decided to extend thanks to Rev. H. Pedersen for his aid in the Sunday School, and to make him a small gift in appreciation of his work. The next meeting, January 3, 1948, will be at the home of Mrs. Hans Buckschmidt with Mrs. Marie Fringale assisting hostess. Mrs. A. Law was the assisting hostess at the December meeting. A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses, and a social half hour enjoyed.

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Sen. Gershaw Letter

After the last war a spirit of Nationalism was abroad through the world. Nations raised their tariffs to great heights and international trade fell off to a small fraction of the normal.

Nations of Europe, in an effort to be self-sustaining encouraged their own people to produce food at great cost. The United States failed by not going into the League of Nations. The United States was a loss of markets and the records show that in 1932 the prices were

as follows:

Wheat per bushel	.26c
Oats per bushel	.06c
Rye per bushel	.11c
Flax per bushel	.11c
Beef Cattle, live weight	.01-4c
Calves live weight	.02-5c
Chickens live weight	.04c

A determined effort is being made among the nations of good will to prevent the making of mistakes made after the last war, and to promote peace and security.

This new spirit is seen in the Atlantic Charter. Loans to Britain and other countries in distress, lend lease aids and now best of all in the Geneva Agreements.

Cobden said long ago "There can be no surer preventative of war than friendly trade relations".

Starting with the fourth and fifth principles of the Atlantic Charter, Canada, with some seven other nations, including United States, Great Britain, France and Australia, signed the Geneva Charter and its terms will come into effect on January 1, 1948. The dwindling supply of United States dollars will for a short time prevent Canadians from getting the full benefit of these Agreements, but Canada stands to gain even in a material way greatly because of eight people employed in Canada there are making material for the foreign market. Some seventeen other nations have agreed to the general tariff reductions and will come in if their Parliaments approve.

This Geneva Charter will be a historic document and is regarded as one of the best assurances of world peace and prosperity.

UNDER THE STREETLAMP



There's Pat

A certain prosy clergyman was much provoked to find an old gentleman in his congregation regularly falling asleep during the course of his sermon. Calling aside the old man's grandson, who accompanied him, the minister said: "My boy, if you will keep your grandfather awake during my sermon, I'll give you a nickel each week."

The boy accepted the offer, and for the next few weeks the old gentleman proved a wide-awake alert listener. The third week he tapped back into slumber.

"What's the meaning of this," the clergyman demanded of the boy. "Your grandfather was asleep again today. Am I not paying you a nickel a week to keep him awake?"

"Yes," replied the youngster, "but now grandpa is giving me ten cents a week to let him sleep."

Jack Colpoys: "Do you think it's really bad luck to have a cat follow you?"

Reley Hanson: "Well, it depends. Are you a man or a mouse?"

Stan Wright: "I've added these figures up eight times Bonnie." Ronnie Hinchliff: "That's very good and thorough."

Stan: "And here are the eight results."

Bob Hamby says he has finally discovered what Scotsmen do with old razor blades. They shave with 'em.

Betty: "I quit because my boss used a couple of offensive words." Lulu: "What were the words?" Betty: "You're fired!"

A waddle of womanhood entered a Fifth Avenue reducing salon which features this query in its show-window: "What have you got to lose?"

Bill Freeman: "What are my chances, doctor?" Doctor Giffen: "Oh, pretty good, but I wouldn't start reading any continued stories."

Della Glendinning: "Am I too late for the garbage, Jack?" Jack Bennett (collecting): "No, ma'am, jump right in."

RURAL GLEICHEN

The return of students will continue this weekend when Gleichenites at the University of Alberta return from Edmonton. Already Mr. Jack Teed has arrived. Among those arriving for the Yuletide vacations will be Mr. A. W. Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Ferguson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Riddell.

Mr. and Mrs. Waltham and Jeanne, and Mr. and Mrs. B. Waltham and Sandra of High River were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. MacArthur recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacArthur who have been spending their honeymoon in California and other places of interest arrived home on Thursday after nearly two months vacation. After the Yuletide holidays they will take up residence on their farm north and east of Gleichen.

Services for Canon John Wheeler, House of Gleichen, will be held Monday in Calgary by Rt. Rev. H. R. Bage, Anglican Bishop of Calgary. Rev. House, a well known Anglican missionary, has lived at the Anglican mission for a number of years.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. O. Boestle on the arrival of a lovely baby boy in the Medicine Hat hospital December 18.

Mrs. Edith Walker and Mrs. G. Miller returned to Gleichen Sunday, following two months in the United States.

Mrs. W. J. McMillan is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. House, in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Hayes and family were visiting in Gleichen on Saturday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Robinson.

Among those spending a day in Calgary last week were Mr. W. F. Ferguson, Mr. J. J. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sammons and Mr. L. Woods.

Mr. Neil Warner who has been in Calgary for a time has returned home.

Many Gleichen people will remember Grandma Jones as she lived in Gleichen for years. She passed away last week. In recent years she lived with one of her daughters.

Typist: "May I have next week's salary, please? I'm broke."

Bob Milligan: "No, Mr. wife made me promise not to make advances to you."

A bunch of interns were having a spot of poker in the dispensary. Came a knock on the door.

"Who comes there?" one of them yelled.

A quiet voice answered: "This is Rignor Mortis. May I set in?"

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Day after day Canadian farmers are making use of information supplied by Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture, Universities, Experimental Stations, and other services. Within the next two or three weeks the farmers of Canada will themselves have an opportunity to provide information.

The December Live Stock and Poultry survey conducted by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics will soon be under way. Thousands of farmers across Canada will receive forms with requests for information. The World Food and Agriculture Organization, through the Bureau to supply up-to-date information on Canada's Agricultural Industry. The Bureau in turn is despatching forms to the provinces.

Survey forms will be mailed around the last week in November. Your cooperation in completing and returning your form promptly will be appreciated.

At the Coast. Funeral services were held in Calgary last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. MacArthur entertained at a dinner on Sunday at their home. Mr. MacArthur, Mr. and Mrs. C. Robson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. W. Stewart and family.

Mr. J. S. McMillan is glad to be home after spending a number of weeks in a Calgary hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Quinnell will arrive Wednesday from Edmonton to spend the festive season with his brother, A. Quinnell, Mrs. Quinnell and family.

A Christmas Party sponsored by the Canadian Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary on Saturday evening was enjoyed by a large crowd. The entertainment consisted of slides which everyone really enjoyed. Following them Santa appeared and gave the children treats, after which lunch was served to all.

The President of the Canadian Legion, H. S. Keer, presented to the President of the Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. Peacock, the "Ladies Auxiliary Charter." Mrs. Keer on behalf of the Auxiliary, in a few words, thanked the Legion.

An enjoyable evening ended by singing God Save the King.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kernick visited friends and relatives in the Gleichen district Sunday.

Arriving on Monday morning train from Ellenvale, Ontario, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ferguson are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ferguson. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson will visit relatives and friends for some time before returning east.

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parties is very likely to be stained table linen, cloths, place mats or napkins. Mrs. Vera Macdonald, Supervisor of the Home Economics Service for the Alberta Department of Agriculture, advises that such stains should be removed as promptly as possible and always before the linens go into the general wash. Many stains are set by the heat and soap of regular laundering.

Cranberry and other fruit:
Sponge with cold water first, stretch fabric over bowl and pour boiling water through stain from 2 to 3 feet above stain. If stain does not come out entirely, try a drop of lemon juice and salt and wash thoroughly in cold water.

Ice Cream:
First sponge with cold water then with a grease solvent followed with warm soapsuds. If some colour remains treat according to its nature (fruit, coffee, chocolate, etc.)

Candlewax:
Scrape off the surface wax, then sponge with a grease solvent. Let dry then wash in soapy water.

Coffee with Cream:
Wash first in cold water to remove milk then pour boiling water from a height through stain. Wash in soapy water. If stain remains use a mild bleach.

Directions for removing other stains may be obtained by writing to the Home Economics Service, Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton.

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SACRED HEART CHURCH
Dec. 18, Sacred Heart Church notes.
STRATHMORE—
Midnight mass, Wednesday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve.
CARLELAND—
Mass at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
Carleland and Langdon Charges
Services every Sunday, except the first Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Anglican service at Carleland, 10:30 a.m. Dalmaceda (Worship Service and Church school combined).

12:00 noon Carleland (Worship Service and Church school combined).

3:00 p.m. Mossleigh (Worship Service and Church school combined).

Services on the first and third Sundays of the month—

12:00 noon Langdon (Worship Service and Church school combined).

3:00 p.m. Dalrymple at Lyalta, 7:30 p.m. Kathryn

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
7:30 p.m. Public Worship.

Namaka:
2:00 p.m. Church Service and Sunday School.

STANDARD LUTHERAN CHURCH
Saturday, December 27, at 1:30 Sunday School Christmas program, Sunday, December 28, at 2:00, Christmas Program in Danish, Monday, December 29, at 8:00 Young People's Christmas Program.

ANGELICAN PARISH OF STRATHMORE—GLEICHEN
Sunday, December 21, 1947

Advent 4.
St. Michael and All Angels—

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer

ADVENT—
12:00 noon Morning Prayer
Christmastide Services.

St. Michael and All Angels, —
11:15 p.m. Christmas Eve - Carols and Holy Communion

8:00 a.m. Christmas Day - Holy Communion
St. Andrew's, GLEICHEN

10:00 a.m. Christmas Day - Holy Communion

LANGDON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class.

7:30 p.m. Evangelistic Service.
Thursday 8:00 Prayer and Praise
Friday 8:00 p.m. Young Peoples Pulpit supplied from Calgary Prophetic Bible Institute.

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where it is touched by the cloth. For the same reason, a hot dish of any of these materials should never be taken from the stove and placed on a wet table or in a wet sink.

Glass cooking utensils should be thoroughly dry on the outside when they are on the stove. Even a few drops of water on the outside of a glass coffee-maker, for example, may cause uneven heating and result in cracking or breaking.

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TOWN COUNCIL

the parking of trucks loaded with gasoline in tanks or barrels along Railway Avenue, from the rear of the King Edward Hotel north. No turns will be permitted in the centre of the street, a speed limit of 25 mph in town is indicated, and provisions for parking are all included. Parking regulations will be particularly noted with regard to leaving the entrances to the theatre, and the doctor's office clear. It is pointed out that a fire in the theatre might be a dangerous affair with the entrance blocked, and this is a contravention of provincial regulations as well.

Mr. George Quirin was appointed deputy-mayor for the next three months period.

It was agreed that Haddell and Miles, engineers who have done all the work on the sewer and water systems, be asked to provide a supplementary estimate for extension of the water service through six inch main from the corner of Sixth Street and Second Avenue. Mr. W. L. MacKenzie's offer, clear through to the highway intersection with Second Avenue.

It was agreed that the Town would be responsible for a street light at the rear entrance to the W.I.D. headquarters from the highway. This has been a dark spot for some time, and is in need of light.

It was agreed to endeavor to do something to improve the parking situation on the east of Main Street where cars frequently run over the sidewalk where the snow has piled up in the streets. It was pointed out that they also have trouble in backing out from this area.

Accounts to the amount of \$2,658 were passed, \$2,000 of which was for the school requisition.

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No. 2..... 7:57 a.m.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, The Standard:

For the dubious benefit of the grain producers of Western Canada, the Members of The Winnipeg Grain Exchange have launched an intensive propaganda campaign. Like all ably directed, high-powered propaganda there is a definite objective to be gained by it's vigorous application. Obviously the goal of this particular deluge is the regained control of the grain markets by the benign group who, we are assured, have only the interest of the exploited farmers at heart.

Carried along with sympathetic messages designed to win the support of the farmers, are the big business guns of the Exchange. These are trained squarely onto the two most formidable obstacles barring the path to achievement, The Co-operative Pools, and The Canadian Wheat Board. Since they lend their powerful support to the Wheat Board, the Pools are the priority target. Once the influence of the Pools is eliminated, the Members apparently realize the Board will cease to function efficiently. In that eventuality, the Exchange will be fully prepared to resume the unhindered marketing of Prairie grain.

The Members of The Winnipeg Grain Exchange indignantly tell us that they are unjustly accused, by certain people, of being responsible for the low market price of wheat in 1929, and throughout the hungry '30's. Perhaps the accusations are somewhat unjustified in view of the fact adverse conditions were world wide in those lean years. But it must be noted that the control of the marketing of the basic commodity of human life by a small group, did not, and cannot, contribute to the social and economical welfare of Canada or, for that matter, of any country of the world.

The Members of the Exchange also say they are a group of far-sighted business men who, for to the governmental control of marketing secured markets for Canadian wheat in sixty countries of the world. They suggest the selling monopoly of the Government will lead to the loss of some of those markets. Taking into consideration the goodwill of the world gained by America's contributions to humanity in the recent war, is it not reasonable to suppose the trade envoys of the Government representing the Canadian people are better qualified to negotiate marketing agreements, than would be a group of private traders? Owing to misrepresenting statements published by the Pools, the very existence of the Exchange is in jeopardy. The Members claim. With excellent legal advice at their disposal, it is extremely unlikely the Pools publish misrepresenting information. If, however, the Pools are instrumental in bringing about

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the abolishment of the Exchange, they should be commended by every thinking Canadian who appreciates the advantages of steady, negotiated markets.

The cessation of fluctuating markets created by speculative practices would go a long way toward relieving the hunger and strife so prevalent in the world today.

B. D. Cote
Carseland, Alberta.

The Tablet

Editor, The Standard,—

Many thousand visitors are admitted to the Parliament Buildings every month. As they are being conducted by the Guides, through the entrance of the Senate Chamber they will see a beautiful bronze Tablet on the west wall of stone. The following words are inscribed on it:

Placed by the Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs to honour:

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Mrs. Louise C. McKinney
Honourable Irene Parley

To further the cause of woman-kind these five outstanding pioneer women caused steps to be taken resulting in the recognition by the Privy Council of Women as persons eligible for appointment to the Senate of Canada.

Each of the Pioneer women named has held a high position in the public life of Alberta and they deserve great credit for making it clear that women are eligible to be appointed to the Senate. There are now two women in the Red Chamber and many others have been elected to legislative bodies. It is to be hoped that many more prepare themselves to be candidates if and when an opportunity presents itself.

Sincerely,
F. W. Gershaw.

SERVICE BOARDS SPONSOR SOIL CONSERVATION MEETINGS

At many country points in Alberta this winter Agricultural Service Boards are sponsoring meetings on Soil Conservation and Weed Control. This is a subject that concerns every farmer in the province.

The meetings have already started — some of them with an attendance of between 60 and 70. W. Lobay, Assistant Supervisor of Soil Conservation for the Alberta Department of Agriculture reports keen interest and lively discussion. "One thing about these meetings," he says, "is that they deal entirely with local affairs. There's nothing general about them. Forage crops, fertilizers, soil erosion, chemical weed control, sound farm management — all are discussed from the point of view of the district and the farmers in the district."

Watch for announcements from your Service Board. Think it over in the meantime and go to the meeting prepared to express your views, and see how they compare with those of other residents of your district. Ask your District Agriculturalist or your Field Supervisor where the meetings will be held, and line up your ideas so that you will be ready to take part in the discussion.

DRY PRECAUTION

Sad experience with burned hands has taught many housewives the wisdom of using a thoroughly dry

Milk Prices Likely to Jump

The price of milk in the cities will rise three cents a quart on the 1st of January, according to an announcement made Saturday by the board of public utility commissioners. This means that the price will be 17 cents a quart in Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat.

Red Deer will pay only 16 cents a quart, it was stated, and 15 cents will prevail in certain other centres. No definite announcement has as yet been made concerning the price of milk in Strathmore, though it is certain to go up as a result. Present charge for milk is 13 cents a quart, one cent lower than it has been in Calgary, and it is almost certain that the new price will be at least fifteen cents. There is a large market in Calgary for any surplus not sold locally at the increased price.

holder when picking up a hot dish. Mrs. Macdonald, Supervisor of the Home Economics Division, says that it is unsafe to use a wet cloth to handle any hot utensil. Heat travels rapidly through moisture.

Using a wet cloth on hot glass, earthenware or pottery utensils will likely result in a crack or break, since the dish is cooled rapidly.

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The Season's Heartiest Greetings

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What Does the Farmer Want for Christmas?

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desires. Even when we grow up we are much like children in that there are so many things we think we would like to have. It seems that everyone in society continually is asking for more and more without giving full thought to the fact that there may be a limit to what even a big Santa Claus can manage to give.

We know that there isn't any Santa Claus in real life even at Christmas. In the final analysis it is Dad's pocketbook that pays. And is not the same thing true throughout our relationships in society whenever anything that costs money is concerned? In the final analysis we pay for what we get.

What then does the farmer really want for Christmas? If one reads the newspaper it is easy to arrive at the conclusion that the farmer wants more money. But is that the real answer? The writer isn't sure of the answer but he has the feeling that more money is not the basic thing the farmer is after. It is not that the farmer really wants recognition, acknowledgement of the fact that for too long he has been looked upon as the lower member of our social group whereas in reality he is one of the most important members of human society? If this recognition became a reality, if the importance of the farmer in national and international life became an accepted fact, that would be the best Christmas present the farmer could get.

That's the Christmas present we would give to the farmer. We aren't Santa Claus and can't promise him this present for this year but we believe he will get it some day soon and be pleased with it when it comes.

All members of the Staff of the Experimental Station, Lethbridge, join in wishing all our friends, farmers and others alike, a very Merry Christmas.

Christmas



Every day we feel appreciative of the favors of our patrons and of all courtesies shown us but it is especially at the Christmas season we like to pause and think back over the pleasures derived from our business dealings. So here's wishing you the best of health, the most of wealth and greater happiness than has been yours before.



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Local News Items

Among University students to arrive home over the weekend were Ray Dower, together with Mrs. Bower; Walter Boissevain; Bill Julian and Frank Van Tighem. Lawrence Way travelled to Toronto, where he will spend the holiday season.

Frank Van Tighem resumed efforts at Patteson's Drug Store over the Christmas rush, as soon as he arrived home again.

Schools closed on Tuesday for a thirteen day holiday, and the members of the staff dispersed to many places to spend the holiday.

Miss Jean Backs will spend the Christmas and Boxing Day break with her parents at Battram. Mr. Backs, who for years farmed just north of town, is leaving on New Year's Day for a trip to Holland, to revisit the family and the old home from which he has been separated for almost thirty years.

Miss Bertha Love will spend the holidays with her mother in Calgary.

Mrs. Janie Lyons will be hostess at a Family Dinner Party of twelve at her home.

Mr. Chuck MacLean is spending the holiday weekend with his family in Calgary.

Strathmore's stores will be open on Saturday, with a few exceptions, after the two day holiday. Since New Year's is also a Thursday, most stores will remain open all day Wednesday, December 31. The Strathmore Standard will again be published on the Wednesday, also.

Mrs. Betts left Monday to spend Christmas with her sons at Pendleton, Oregon.

Bob Koch arrived home for Christmas last weekend, in time to join ranks with the Strathmore Red Wings for their Saturday night hockey game. Many fans of five or six years standing were pleased to see Bob back in harness again. He has recently been playing with New Westminster, and is currently attending University at the Coast.

Mr. Pete Weeks, formerly with Strathmore Sales & Service, was home for a couple of days over the weekend, but in rather poor shape. Pete was being treated for a shell fragment, which lodged in his back, but which it was impossible to remove. He is presently under care at the Col. Belcher hospital.

Mrs. Gladys Morgan and Mr. Hugh Berry will entertain Mrs. H. A. Jippe, Mr. and Mrs. George Brake, of Turner Valley and Mr. Alston of Milo over the Christmas weekend.

Word was received early this week that Harold Freeman has been successful in the writing of his Civil Service examinations.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylor Robison will spend Christmas with Calgary friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ian MacKenzie and Douglas will go to Calgary to enjoy Christmas with Mr. MacKenzie's mother and sister.

COMING EVENTS

Regular clinics for infant and preschool children are held by the Wheatland Health District from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Strathmore the second and fourth Tuesday in each month. Carseland the second Friday in each month. Standard the third Thursday in each month. Rockyford the third Friday in each month.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE AT Carseland Community Hall, December 31. Supper included. Come and have a good time dancing the new year in.

The Annual Meeting of the Strathmore Credit Union will be held in the Town Hall on Thursday, January 15, 1948, at 8 p.m.

Mr. Bert Wyman was back in town again on Saturday, released from hospital after his fall into the pit in Strathmore Motors. Bert is getting around again quite well with a cane, but will be off work for six or seven weeks yet. He suffered a pelvis split in two places, but feels lucky it was not much worse.

Mrs. T. B. Hughes has been confined to her bed suffering from a very severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Patrick are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George Patrick in Revelstoke.

Mrs. Julian and Bill will spend Christmas Day in Calgary, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hunt, who will also entertain the Rev. and Mrs. Stanley R. Hunt and Gwen.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heibert left last Saturday for Vancouver, called there by the passing of Mr. Heibert's mother, who had been in poor health for some time.

Many Children Enjoy Santa Show

Large numbers of children, and many of their parents, enjoyed the Santa Claus show sponsored by the Lions Club in Hirtle's Theatre on Monday evening. Starting shortly after seven o'clock, there were two or three reels of films, followed by a sing-song led by M. S. "Pop" Hirtle, in which all joined with lusty voices.

Breaking into the middle of the sing-song, Santa Claus made a flourishing entrance, with bells jangling, and dogs barking. After expressing his pleasure at seeing all the kiddies assembled, Santa distributed bags of candy and other good things.

His exit was followed by another

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IN MEMORIAM

IN LOVING MEMORY

Dear is the grave where our darling is laid,

Sweet is the memory that never will fade.

The cup was bitter, the loss severe. To part with one we loved so dear.

His little soul, so pure and sweet, Will blossom at the saviour's feet.

Mrs. Milligan and myself would like to express our sincere appreciation of the kindnesses of friends on this occasion.

The Milligan family*

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—PUREBRED BOURBON Red Turkeys, of AA Birds. Apply H. Nicholson, Phone 1109 Strathmore. 3424p

FOR SALE—WEANER AND feeder pigs. Apply W. A. Freeman, Aldenode. 28n

1938 CHRYSLER, A1 CONDITION throughout. Apply Strathmore Laundry. Phone 119. 3431c

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FOR SALE—1 1945 FORD TRACTOR and 1 1936 Willys Car. Apply Jack Caldwell, Strathmore. 3421c

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FOR SALE—SACRIFICE 1½ LOTS of frame buildings, located in country of shopping district at Carseland, Alberta. Suitable for business or residence. Apply Mr. Gillespie, McCasland Lumber Co., Carseland, Alberta. 3431c

FOR SALE—PAIR OF LADIES skates, white, in good shape, size 6. Phone 1902, Anne Campbell, Strathmore. 3431c

(film, "The National Barn Dance.")

The Boy Scout stocking, donated by T. E. H. Patteson, was drawn for at the concert by one of the smallest listeners, and was won by T. J. Meston, of Nightingale.

Red-Wings Trim Benner 10-1

Strathmore Red Wings scored a decisive 10-1 victory over Benner's Carriage in the local arena on Saturday night. Strathmore played much smarter hockey than in their last appearance.

Bobby Koch, formerly with the New Westminster Royals, joined the local club and displayed some brilliant stickhandling in scoring three goals. MacFarland, McLaughlin and Clayton played smart hockey and picked up two markers apiece. The Strathmore defence stood up very well against the Calgary forwards. The lone Calgary goal was scored by Robson early in the second period.

Line-up—
STRATHMORE: Hagen; Joel, Dawkins, McParad, Kimmet, Morgan; Suba—Cole, Kernaghan, Buch-

ner, Clayton, McLaughlin, Robson, May, Hartell.
BENNER: Reid, Baldwin, Spence, Robson, Conrad, Banks; Suba—Braden, Lewick, Frank, Kupper, Borchers, Girbrink, Thurn, Innes, OFFICIAL—J. Keeling.

SUMMARY
First Period—1 Strathmore, Koch. Penalties: none; Second period—2 Calgary, Robson (Banks); 3 Strathmore, Morgan (McFarland); 4 Strathmore, McParland; 5 Strathmore, Clayton (McLaughlin, Buchner); 6 Strathmore, Clayton (McLaughlin); 7 Strathmore, McFarland (Morgan); 8 Strathmore, Koch (Kernaghan); 9 Strathmore, Koch. Penalties—Buchner, Morgan, Borchers, Third Period—10 Strathmore, McLaughlin (Hartell); 11 Strathmore, McLaughlin; Penalties—Note.

We like to think of our customers as friends.

There is no better way to express our friendship than by the old, old wish that grows dearer through the ages:

Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

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JOHN DEERE—
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